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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Letter Application of

James J. HICKMAN

Application No. 09/575,377

Filed: May 22, 2000

For: HIGH THROUGHPUT FUNCTIONAL GENOMICS

Group Art Unit: 1631

Examiner: M. P. Allen

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002 (Paper No. 12), and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Submitted herewith is: (a) Exhibit A, a marked up version of the claims showing the amendments made herein; (b) Exhibit B, a newly executed Supplemental Declaration in Compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.67(a); (c) Exhibit C, Page 39 of the priority Application; (d) Exhibit D, a Notice Of Appeal Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.191; and (e) Exhibit E, a Petition For Extension Of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1).

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